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less scope for lay comment or quotation.

ported from are but five—Amoy, Shanghai, Peking, Pagoda Anchorage and Hankow—but they cover a wide range of territory and climate, and the papers are unusually well written contributions to the study of hygiene in China. The only portions to which we need draw attention are the remarks made on the precautions which foreigners should take to avoid contracting sicknesses common to the Chinese people. Dr. S. G. Smith

Foodchow devotes a few pages to the health of merchant seamen, which should be reprinted and placed in the hands of every shipowner and master residing or visiting China. He observes that tea steamers trading here usually have fine well-ventilated forecastles, but that they are as a rule dirty. And though, as he says, people cannot be made clean by act of Parliament, it is allowable to ask why something resembling man-of-war cleanliness cannot be enforced on board them. It is of no use to provide good accommodation if personal uncleanliness be permitted, and there can be no doubt that greater stringency in this regard would increase the self-respect and contentment of crews. We should, that masters and mates are alone, be

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEB. 4, 1876.

As to not being able to enforce the discipline that is all nonsense. Another point upon which Dr. Somerville lays stress is the absence of proper supplies of drugs. But what can be expected of proper medical men are not provided. There is a (probably mythical) story of a gunboat commander, who shortly after leaving home, appointed out his medicines according to number of his crew, and served out an allowance to each individual, telling

sion. As many of the drugs we do not bear such infinitesimal divisions squared matters by giving extra pulp to one and extra jalap to another, marking that they must "swap and seal." Now such a proceeding was in many cases quite as useful as the system adopted on board ships. We know of, and we hope that Dr. Somerville's remarks will be extensively read. Concerning the Harbour Master's department here do something towards their direction! It is noteworthy that the water expresses a very decided opinion in the case of the diarrhoeic diseases which prevail at the Coast ports is not water. Bad water may be admitted to aggravate other conditions, but the cause, if he maintains cold caught in

night breezes when, as sailors generally do, they sleep in the open air, the whole such diseases however become less frequent owing, as Somerville thinks, to the shorter made by vessels at their ports of call. The curious way of treating ulcers by binding thin sheet lead over them is also new. We have touched only on one of the many valuable hints to the general public.

worth perusal by residents, and wish that greater facilities were provided in the way of the general public to obtain copies of these Reports, and other valuable papers issued from Customs press. We are constantly *where* these publications can be obtained and are often obliged to refer to be purchasers to Shanghai. Could a Hongkong agency be established for sale? We would also suggest that index both to the Medical and A

reader. The future cyclopaedia of
Chinese will be in no small
debted to these valuable papers
some of its most useful information.

**THE SPIRIT OF THE MORNING
PRESS,**
The *Press* comments on the language
by the *Diario de Manila* in its remarks
the systems of Spanish and British

Diario is right in saying that the established at Singapore, Hongkong is not applicable to the Philippines the great point of difference in the two forms of Government is, that while seeks to derive all possible present a age from her foreign possessions, Britain endeavours to ameliorate the

to the utmost possible extent. Admitted that our Indian administration is not perfect, it nevertheless gives the native population all the advantages which it is to be feared are not enjoyed by their absence in the Philippines. The loss of Spain's numerous and valuable possessions in America can be ascribed

and prestige of Spain have fallen very low, but they are capable of resuscitation. There are few countries in Europe where internal resources are so elastic and undeveloped as here. The Carlists and

THE HONGKONG NATIVE PR
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Hongkong, December 20, 1875. apl

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Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

Intimations.

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Hongkong, December 8, 1875. fcl8

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No. 53.

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TAKEW DISTRICT.

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The illuminating apparatus is fixed Dioptric, of the Fourth Order, showing a white light visible all round except where obscured by the islands.

The Light is elevated 205 feet above the level of the sea, and, in clear weather, it should be visible at a distance of 15 nautical miles.

The Tower is round, of iron, 20 feet high, with a total height from its base to the lantern of 33 feet.

The Tower is painted black, and the dwellings and boundary wall will be painted white.

Approximate Position:—

Latitude N. 22° 32' 55"

Longitude E. 118° 28' 17"

By order of the Inspector General of Customs.

DAVID M. HENDERSON,

Imperial Maritime Customs,

Engineer's Office,

Amoy, December 24, 1875. fcl

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NOTICE.

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Hongkong, January 13, 1876.

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Hongkong, November 1, 1875. myl

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H. F. STUART.

Hongkong, April 5, 1875. ap5

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